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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Mitsuo SUEHIRO

Serial No.: 09/536,993



Group Art Unit: 2841

Filed: March 29, 2000

Examiner: PATEL, I.

For: PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD UNIT WITH DETACHMENT
MECHANISM FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENT

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED MAY 7, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: May 30, 2001

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated May 7, 2001.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-9, drawn to a printed circuit board unit, and Group (II), Claims 10-15, drawn to a method of detaching an electronic component from a printed circuit board.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-9, for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge
our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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